

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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May 11, 2001

RE: MUR 5198 US Bank

Dear Mr. Bucklin:

This is in response to your letter dated May 4, 2001, which we received May 7, 2001, requesting an extension until May 31, 2001, to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of the General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on May 31, 2000.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Alva E. Smith, Paralegal Central Enforcement Docket